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HAVING A SMALL P3 RESIDUE

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.121)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (Paper Number 9) mailed July 23, 2001, submitted herewith is the clean version of the replacement sequence paragraphs with instructions for entry and the marked-up version of the replacement paragraphs as amended on June 19, 2001.

At page 12, line 14, please substitute the following paragraph for the previous version:

21 Each compound tested in this study is a competitive inhibitor and is significantly more potent against HIV PR than FIV PR, as expected. However, the new inhibitors 1b-6b, and 7a showed a remarkable different pattern of inhibitory activities compared to their parent compounds 1a-5a, ABT-538 and RO31-8959. Compounds 2a-4a, containing no P3 moieties, exhibited marginal